

"Radical attachment to Jesus is not believing something about Jesus, or believing in Jesus, but believing Jesus (in discipleship) and believing what Jesus believed (in imitation). So, as he believed, love of God, love of neighbor, and becoming one's true self, so do we."

(Augsburger, *Dissident Discipleship*, 23)

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE AS CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

Early Singing The Hand that Holds the World
Give Me Your Eyes
Mighty to Save

Welcome and Invocation

Gathering Song Draw Me Close
Deeper

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Ourselves

Confession: From Psalm 1

HEARING GOD

Receiving from God Ephesians 5:1; Colossians 2:6,7

To receive together as a community of God's people we ask you to stand, hold hands, and sing: Jesus, be the Center

Children's Story

Scripture Reading Mark 1: 16-20
Colossians 2:6,7

Message Anabaptist Spirituality:
The Practice of Radical Attachment to Jesus
- Roland Kuhl

Response Song G518 We Are Called

SHARING COMMUNITY LIFE

Sharing in Response

Sending Ephesians 3:16-19

***In an effort to be responsible stewards of the resources with which we are blessed, we encourage you to share a bulletin with the person next to you.**

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*“As a living body of Jesus Christ,
our vision at North Suburban
is to be a Christ-centered community,
embodying Christ-like compassion,
living with Christ-led courage.”*

OUR VALUES:

- A Christianity that loves God with **Heart** (emotions, passion), **Soul** (consciousness and eternal perspective), **Mind** (intellectual development and rigor) and **Strength** (action and service).
- Well planned and creative worship.
- The nurture of children and all ages toward their personal expression of Christian faith.
- A congregation that embraces the prodigal and guides their return to God’s family.
- Leadership development and mentoring.
- Encouragement of individual and corporate witness for the peace of Christ and the justice of God’s kingdom, both now and in the world to come.
- Innovation and inventiveness.
- A congregational size to make disciples, make friends and build community.
- Connection to the life and witness of Mennonite Church USA.

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“I see Lent as a time, not merely for being contrite and repentant in light of the coming of Easter, but perhaps more importantly a time of preparing ourselves to be more open to God, more open to the presence of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit in our lives. And this is not merely to last for Lent—but to give us a time for intentional focus to foster an ongoing openness to God following Lent and throughout the year.

In this series, the longer title might be: Opening ourselves to the presence of God—Exploring our Anabaptist spirituality. I would like us to explore the characteristics of our spirituality as Anabaptists in order to shape our spirituality in such a way that it is not shaped by our own formulations but is formed by the Spirit of Christ Jesus in us as we give ourselves to follow after Christ as his disciples.” Roland

Sunday, February 21, 2010
First Sunday of Lent